

NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, June 14, 2004

Slatington Elementary Gymnasium

7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL

A. By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all votes on financial matters shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that Public Notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 84 of 1986.

B. School Board Meeting shall proceed in accordance with School Board Policy.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Roll Call.

E. Public Comment -- Restricted to Agenda Items.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETINGS

A. Regular school board meeting held on May 3, 2004.

B. Regular school board meeting held on May 10, 2004.

III. SPECIAL BOARD REPORTS

A. Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit Mr. Bryan C. Dorshimer

B. Lehigh Career & Technical Institute Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos

C. Legislative Report Mrs. Lori H. Geronikos

D. Lehigh Carbon Community College Mr. Mathias J. Green, Jr.

F. Student Representatives To The Board Report Ms. Amberly Gable
Ms. Ashley Kunkle

G. Solicitor's Report Atty. Charles Stopp

H. Federal and Other Programs Mrs. Lynne B. Fedorcha

I. Superintendent's Report Dr. Nicholas P. Sham, Sr.

Recognition of Amberly Gable – Student Representative

J. Executive Session

IV. BUDGET DISCUSSION**V. ADOPTION OF THE 2004-2005 NORTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopts the budget of the Northern Lehigh School District for the 2004-2005 school year in the amount of \$_____.

1. A _____ mill (or \$____ per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for Lehigh County and a _____ mill (or \$_____ per \$100 of assessed valuation) tax on Real Estate for Northampton County. An increase of _____ mills over 2003-2004.
2. A \$5.00 Resident Per Capita Tax, taxable on 18 year olds and over based on Section 679 of the School Code of 1949. No change from 2003-2004.
3. Taxes under Act 511 with no changes from 2003-2004:
 - a. A 1% Earned Income Tax shared equally with coterminous municipalities.
 - b. A 1% Realty Transfer Tax shared equally with the coterminous municipalities.
 - c. A \$5.00 Per Capita Tax, taxable on residents age 18 and over.
 - d. A \$10.00 Occupational Privilege Tax.

RECOMMENDATION That the Board of Education adopts the 2004-2005 Northern Lehigh School District Budget.

VI. PERSONNELA. Nomination for Appointment

Approve to appoint Andrea Madochick to the position of Food Service Director for the Northern Lehigh School District and enter into a 3- year contract agreement, including a one-year probationary period, at a salary of \$ 36,000, effective July 1, 2004.

- B. In accordance with Article XXB – Section 3G of the Northern Lehigh Educational Support Personnel Association Collective Bargaining Agreement which states “in recognition of service to the Northern Lehigh School District, a bargaining unit employee with more than twenty (20) years of service in the Northern Lehigh School District shall receive a salary increment of \$500.00 in excess of the job rate during that employee’s last year of service prior to his retirement. Payment of this \$500 salary increment is contingent upon the employee giving the District notice of her intention to retire at least twelve and one half (12 ½) months prior to the employee’s retirement. Suzanne Christman, cook’s helper in the Peters Elementary School, is informing the Board of Education of her intent to retire at the end of the 2004-2005 school year and begin her retirement on June 30, 2005. She has been employed in the district since October 1980.

VII. POLICY

A. Conferences

1. Approve the request of Susan Beil, Peters Elementary special education teacher, to attend a Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit conference on August 27, 2004. Expenses for this conference include \$150.00 for registration and will be funded through IDEA funds. (Attachment #1)
2. Approve the request of Dawn Wadsworth, School Psychologist, to attend a PA CA SSP Training Institute conference from June 30 through July 1, 2004. Expenses for this conference, entitled "Suicide Prevention Training of Trainers" includes \$35.00 for registration, \$140.00 for travel, for a total cost of \$175.50 and will be funded through Safe and Drug Free Schools funds. (Attachment #2)
3. Approve the request of Dawn Wadsworth, School Psychologist, to attend an Advanced CRT Training (NOVA) conference from July 19 through July 21, 2004. Expenses for this conference, sponsored by the National Organization for Victim Assistance, includes \$100.00 for registration, \$60.00 for meals, for a total cost of \$160.00 and will be funded through Safe and Drug Free Schools funds. (Attachment #3)
4. Approve the request of Dawn Wadsworth, School Psychologist, to attend a National Association of School Psychologists: Critical Issues In School Psychology conference from August 9 through August 11, 2004. Expenses for this conference includes \$408.00 for registration, \$90.00 for travel, \$90.00 for meals, \$450.00 for lodging, for a total cost of \$1038.00 and will be funded through IDEA funds. (Attachment #4)
5. Approve the request of Laurie Mott, Peters Elementary second grade teacher, to attend a CLIU conference on August 27, 2004. Expenses for this conference, entitled "Handwriting Without Tears" include \$150.00 for registration and has been approved by the district's Continuing Professional Education Committee. (Attachment #5)
6. Approve the request of Gail Lafferty, Instructional Support Teacher, to attend a CLIU conference from July 14-16, 2004. Expenses for this conference, entitled "Explosive Child" include \$190.00 for registration and will be paid for through Act 48 funds. (Attachment #6)
7. Approve the request of Lynn Haab, middle school special education teacher, to attend a PaTTAN Summer Math Conference from July 7-9, 2004. Expenses for this conference include \$25.00 for registration, \$107.65 for travel,

\$16.00 for meals for a total cost of \$148.65 and will be paid for through IDEA funds. (Attachment #7)

VIII. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. FINANCIAL

- A. Approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2004.
- B. Approve the Cafeteria Reports for the month May 2004. (Information Only)
- C. Approve payment of General Fund bills for the month of May and June 2004.
- D. Approve the Northern Lehigh Refreshment Stand Account / Northern Lehigh Sports Account Report for the month ending May 31, 2004. (Attachment #8)
- E. Approve the Northern Lehigh Athletic Fund Report for the month of May 2004. (Attachment #9)
- F. Amend Previous Motion
Approve to amend a motion made on March 8, 2004 to renew the service agreement with SimplexGrinnell for monitoring of fire alarm systems at all 4 buildings. The cost for all four buildings was listed as \$1,499.68 and should be amended to read \$1,545.00. The reflects an increase of \$45.32 over last year's fee. (Attachment #10)
- G. Approve to adopt a resolution incurring non-electoral debt in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, equipping, furnishing, alterations, additions, renovations and improvements to athletic buildings and facilities; and accepting a certain proposal for purchase of general obligation notes as presented by _____ . (Attachment #11)
- H. Award insurance coverage for the 2004-2005 school year to the following companies:
1. Commercial Package and Automobile (Vehicle Liability, General Liability, Property Insurance and Boiler and Machinery) – Republic Franklin – UTICA National Insurance Company -- \$47,144. The renewal is with the same company as last year and the premium is an increase of \$3,990 over last year's rate.
 2. Commercial Umbrella Liability Insurance – Crum & Forster Insurance Company – \$13,566. The renewal is with the same company as last year and the premium has increased by \$566.

3. School Leaders Errors and Omissions Liability -- \$14,574 AIG–National Union.
The renewal has decreased by \$577.
4. Worker’s Compensation Coverage for the 2004-2005 school year – PSBA Insurance Trust/Old Republic – estimated premium of \$65,864 that is based upon estimated payroll.

XIII. LEGAL

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE

XV. INFORMATION

XV. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

XVI. ADJOURNMENT